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Protest in Onitsha over death of 23-yr-old man

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By Vincent Ujumadu

AWKA — A Police Inspector attached to the Onitsha Inland Town Police Division allegedly shot and killed a 23-year-old Nnamdi Igbokwe in the commercial town of Onitsha yesterday, an incident that almost led to a mob action in the town.

Younger brother of the deceased, Onyema Igbokwe, who narrated the incident to journalists said his brother was going to a barbing salon to cut his hair from his Jideofor street residence in Inland town, Onitsha at about 7.30 pm when the incident occurred.

According to him, the deceased was riding in a motorcycle with his friend when they saw policemen along Awka Road and diverted into Chukwura Street to avoid being harassed by the policemen who were at a checkpoint.

He said that immediately they branched off, they parked the motorbike on the street and went into the salon, but one of the policemen came and wanted to carry the parked motorcycle, but Nnamdi, a father of two, queried the rationale behind the policeman carrying a stationary motorcycle. The situation, he said, led to exchange of words between Nnamdi and the policeman who allegedly shot him directly on the head and he died instantly.

An eye witness said the Police Inspector allegedly escaped for fear of being mobbed immediately he discovered that he had killed his victim.

It was gathered that the Divisional Police Officer of Inland Town, Mr. Sunday Adama later arranged for the removal of the corpse with the help of the Inland town vigilante group to the Onitsha General Hospital mortuary.



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1. *Chizota* says:

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The colour nature of uniform worn by d police 2 a reasonable extent tel why, dey misbehave 4 they are mourners.the culprit shud be given a deserved punishment and by hanging.

2. *kingsley Omoruyi* says:

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It has happen again and again, that is their stock in trade, what do you expect, at the long run they will excuse the cop as he was trying to defend himself or it was accidental discharge end of story.

My prayer is that this same thing should happen to some of our leaders or their children so that this will be properly taken care of for it not to happen again

3. *maazi chukwunonso* says:

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this isn't the 1st nor the 3rd time such incident is happenin in osha,those armed robbers abi police should b brought 2 book.

4. *Favour Dio* says:

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It is quit unfortunate 4 the young civilian to 've met his death that way. The case should be properly investigated for there could be hidden truth behind it. But i suggest the police 4 live -imprisonment.

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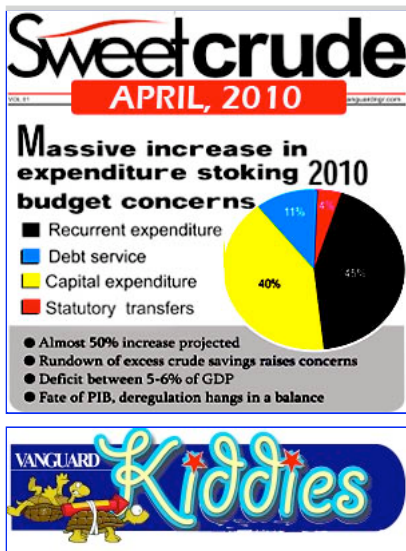
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